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Art Unit 1635

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re:

U.S. Utility Patent Application

Application No. 09/446,317; Filed: April 17, 2000

or: Complexes for Transporting Nucleic Acid into Eukaryotic Higher-

Cells

Inventors:

Wagner et al.

Our Ref:

0652.2010000

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. Fee Transmittal (PTO/SB/17);
- 2. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)(1);
- 3. Credit Card Payment Form in the amount of \$2,010.00 to cover the five (5) month extension of time fee; and
- 4. One (1) return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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Examiner: Richard A. Schnizer

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Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1)

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It is hereby requested that the period for replying to the outstanding Office Action be extended five months from February 5, 2004 to July 6, 2004 (July 5, 2004 - holiday) by the filing of this Petition and fee payment.

The petition fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)) is believed to be \$2,010.00 for a five month extension of time for a large entity. Fee payment is provided in our accompanying PTO-2038 Credit Card Payment Form. However, if extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those provided herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27 TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$) 2,010.00 Attorney Docket No. | 0652.2010000 FEE CALCULATION (continued) METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply) Money X Other** None 3. ADDITIONAL FEES Check X Credit card Orde *Charge any deficiencies or credit any overpayments in Deposit Account: the fees to Deposit Acct. No. 19-0036. Large Entity , Small Entity the fees to Deposit Acct. No. 19-0036. Fee Fee Fee **Fee Description** Deposit Code Code (\$) (\$) Fee Paid Account 19-0036 2051 65 Surcharge - late filing fee or oath 130 1051 Number Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or Deposit 50 2052 1052 Sterne, Kessler, Goldstein & Fox P.L.L.C Account cover sheet 130 Non-English specification 1053 130 1053 The Director is authorized to: (check all that apply) 1812 2,520 For filing a request for ex parte reexamination 1812 2,520 Charge fee(s) indicated below Credit any overpayments 920* Requesting publication of SIR prior to 1804 920 1804 Charge any additional fee(s) or any underpayment of fee(s) Examiner action Charge fee(s) indicated below, except for the filing fee Requesting publication of SIR after 1805 1.8401 1805 1.840 Examiner action to the above-identified deposit account. 2251 Extension for reply within first month 1251 110 **FEE CALCULATION** Extension for reply within second month 1252 420 2252 210 1. BASIC FILING FEE 1253 950 2253 475 Extension for reply within third month Large Entity Small Entity Fee Paid Fee Description Fee Fee Code (\$) Fee Code 1254 1.480 2254 740 Extension for reply within fourth month \$2,010,00 Extension for reply within fifth month 2255 1,005 1255 2.010 Utility filing fee 1001 770 2001 385 2401 1401 330 165 Notice of Appeal Design filing fee 2002 170 1002 340 1402 330 2402 Filing a brief in support of an appeal 2003 265 Plant filing fee 1003 530 290 2403 145 Request for oral hearing 1403 Reissue filing fee 2004 385 1004 770 1451 1,510 1451 1,510 Petition to institute a public use proceeding Provisional filing fee 1005 160 2005 80 Petition to revive - unavoidable 2452 1452 110 **SUBTOTAL (1) | (\$)** 1,330 2453 Petition to revive - unintentional 1453 665 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE 1501 1,330 2501 665 Utility issue fee (or reissue) Fee from Fee Paid Extra Claims below 1502 480 2502 240 Design issue fee **Total Claims** 1503 640 2503 320 Plant issue fee Independent Petitions to the Commissioner - 3 130 1460 130 1460 Multiple Dependent 1807 50 1807 Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q) Large Entity Small Entity 1806 180 1806 Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt Fee Description Fee Fee Recording each patent assignment per Code (\$) Code (\$) 8021 40 8021 40 property (times number of properties) 2202 Claims in excess of 20 1202 18 Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a)) 1809 770 2809 385 Independent claims in excess of 3 1201 86 2201 43 1203 290 2203 145 Multiple dependent claim, if not paid 1810 770 2810 385 For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b)) ** Reissue independent claims 1204 86 2204 43 over original patent 1801 770 2801 385 Request for Continued Examination (RCE) 1802 900 1802 Request for expedited examination ** Reissue claims in excess of 20 2205 9 1205 18 and over original patent of a design application Other fee (specify) SUBTOTAL (2) (\$) -0-*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid 2,010.00 SUBTOTAL (3) **or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above (Complete (if applicable)) SUBMITTED BY

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